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Per request of Examiner S. Liu of Art Unit 1653, applicants submit herewith copies of the references originally submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement originally filed by certificate of mailing on February 28, 2001.

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A copy of the Information Disclosure Statement originally filed February 28, 2001 is enclosed herewith for the convenience of the Office. A copy of this Information Disclosure Statement was also sent via facsimile to Examiner Liu on August 13, 2001.

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